



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03495-0190-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Daniel LADANT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
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Application No.: 09/555,649 ) Examiner: Zeman, R.A.  
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Filed: August 1, 2000 )  
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For: A BACTERIAL MULTI-HYBRID ) Confirmation No.: 8848  
SYSTEM AND APPLICATIONS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

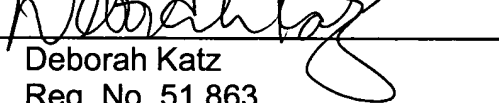
Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office  
Action of June 18, 2004. A fee of \$430.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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